



U. S. Steel
Clairton Works
400 State Street
Clairton, PA 15025-1853

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Mr. Mike Ioff
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Region III
841 Chestnut Building
Philadelphia, PA 19107

Subject: "B" Battery Coke Oven Collector Main

Dear Mr. Ioff:

In 1995 U. S. Steel Clairton Works conducted an extensive rehabilitation program on the coke side collector main of "B" Battery. Repair work consisted of welding steel plates over the corroded areas of the collector main. During that maintenance period your office granted an alternate schedule of repair time maximums for collector mains according to 40 CFR 63.308(d).

We recently initiated the same rehabilitation program on the pusher side collector main of "B" Battery, and would appreciate the same alternate scheduling consideration that you extended to us at that time. The work is scheduled for completion by the end of March 1997. During the interim we will continue to monitor the leak situation and make temporary repairs while the permanent repair program continues.

We would appreciate your prompt attention to this request. Call me at (412) 233-1101 if you any questions on this request.

Very truly yours,

H. R. McCollum
Manager, Environmental Control

cc: R. Westman (Allegheny County Health Department)

